Homeownership Voucher Program

Help for Housing Choice Voucher families buying homes.

Nature of Program: Public housing agencies (PHAs) may elect to administer the Voucher Homeownership Program as a component of the broader Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program, where eligible participants use the monthly housing assistance payment (HAP) provided by the voucher to help pay the homeownership expenses for a housing unit that they purchase in accordance with HUD regulations, rather than the traditional application of the voucher toward rent payments.

Applicant Eligibility: Public housing agencies.

Legal Authority: Section 8(y) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended by the American Homeownership and Economic Opportunity Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-569) (42 U.S.C. 1437f(y)). Regulations are at 24 CFR part 982, subpart M.

Administering Office: Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, DC 20410.

Information Sources: Local public housing agencies or HUD field offices. On the Web: www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/hcv/homeownership/index.cfm

Current Status: Active.